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500th Interment at State Veterans Cemetery in Radcliff

Milestone Reached 13 Months After Opening

(RADCLIFF, July 18, 2008) Yesterday, Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central performed its 500th interment since opening June 1, 2007.

“We are deeply honored that these veterans and their families have chosen a Kentucky state veterans cemetery for their final resting place,” said Les Beavers, Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs (KDVA.) “All of us at KDVA are proud that we are able to provide our veterans with such a sacred place of honor and dignity.”

The 500th interment is Lieutenant Commander (LCDR) Willard Andrew Litzenberger of Elizabethtown. A Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean War, he joins 432 veterans and 67 dependents at the cemetery. LCDR Litzenberger is survived by his wife Constance Litzenberger.

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central (KVCC) mainly serves veterans from a 75-mile radius of the cemetery, including parts of Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana. KVCC also serves Active Duty soldiers and their dependents serving at nearby Fort Knox.

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central is Kentucky's second state veterans cemetery. Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West opened in Hopkinsville in March 2004. Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North, in Williamstown, is under construction and scheduled to open on August 22.

For more information about interment at Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central, including eligibility and services, call the cemetery at 270-351-5115 or 270-351-5119.

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central is located on 99 acres at 2501 N. Dixie Highway in Radcliff, adjacent to Fort Knox. Construction included a 3,600-square-foot administration building, a 4,400-square-foot maintenance building with service area, a committal facility and a columbarium. It also has appropriate parking, road network, walking path and landscaping commensurate with the dignity and honor of a state veterans cemetery.

Construction and initial equipment for KVCC cost approximately \$8.95 million. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs reimbursed the state for construction, and the state pays the operating costs.